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Sir:

REQUEST

The Examiner is requested to acknowledge receipt and acceptance of the drawings filed December 14, 2001, or provide a specific rejection or objection of the same.

The present Request is not being filed in response to the Office Action of August 31, 2004, however it is being filed as the requested item was not received with the Office Action of August 31, 2004.

Respectfully submitted,

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